





HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION commemorating the founding of Indiana State University.

Whereas, Tuesday, February 3, 2015, marks the 150th anniversary of the introduction of the legislation that established the "Indiana State Normal School":

Whereas, On February 3, 1865, Representative Baskin Rhoads, of Vermillion County, introduced House Bill 119 providing for the establishment of a State Normal School, "the object of which shall be the preparation of teachers for teaching in the common schools of Indiana";

Whereas, The bill received its first reading on February 3 and was referred to the Committee on Education, which recommended passage on February 10, 1865;

Whereas, The bill was read for a second time on February 16, and, on March 3, the bill was read a third time and passed by the House;

Whereas, The bill did not pass over to the Senate during the regular session, but was taken up during the 1865 Special Session of the General Assembly;

Whereas, The bill was referred to the Committee on Education on November 17, was read for the second time on November 30, and, on December 16, was read for the third time and passed by the Senate;



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Whereas, On December 19 the House concurred with the amendments of the Senate;

Whereas, On December 20, 1865, the bill received its final approval, and an emergency was declared to allow the act to take effect immediately upon passage;

Whereas, Through the years, the school has had several name changes;

Whereas, The Indiana State Normal School became the Indiana State Teachers College in 1929, was renamed Indiana State College in 1961, and changed again, to Indiana State University, in 1965 to reflect its growth and development;

Whereas, Indiana State University spawned two of Indiana's other public universities;

Whereas, Ball State University was known as the Eastern Division of the Indiana State Normal School from 1918 until 1929, when it became the Ball State Teachers College, and the University of Southern Indiana began as a regional campus of Indiana State University opening in September 1965 until legislation was signed in 1985 making it a separate university; and

Whereas, Since its founding in 1865, Indiana State University has served an important role in the state's higher education system and has become a national leader with its academic programs as well as its commitment to community service: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes Indiana State University on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of its founding and expresses its appreciation for the dedication to the students and the community the university has exhibited through the years.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Indiana State

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